

**In the Specification:**

Please replace the paragraph starting on page 8 line 12 of the clean substitute specification with the following amended paragraph:

According to the present invention there is incorporated in the brush system 6 a resistor unit having a resistor housing 14 and, provided in said resistor housing, a flat resistor arrangement hereinafter referred to as a flat resistor. Said flat resistor is a resistor foil, a meander-shaped flat resistor or a resistor wire disposed in a meandering manner as shown for example in Figure 3 with reference symbol 20. This flat resistor is used as part of stepped speed control of the electromotive drive.